Listing of Claims

The following listing of claims reflects all of the pending claims.

1.   (original) A controller fault recovery system for an array storage system for storing data objects including at least one parity group having a number N of data blocks and a parity block computed from the N data blocks comprising:

an array of storage devices;

at least N+1 controllers, each controller operably connected to a unique portion of the array of storage devices; and

a distributed file system having at least one input/output manager (IOM) routine for each controller, each IOM routine including:

means for controlling access to the unique portion of the array of storage devices associated with that controller;

means for maintaining a journal reflecting a state of all requests and commands received and issued for that IOM routine; and

means for reviewing the journal and the state of all requests and commands received and issued for that IOM routine in response to a notification that at least one of the IOM routines has experienced an unscheduled stop and publishing any unfinished request and commands for the at least one failed IOM routine.

Claims 2-21 (canceled)